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REVAMPING OF EMPLOYMENT EXCHANGES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Employment Exchanges in the country, State/UT-wise along with the State/ UT-wise number of persons registered with each employment exchange at present;

(b) the number of jobs provided through Employment Exchanges during each of the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise particularly in Karnataka;

(c) whether the performance of Employment Exchanges is not satisfactory and if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the Government has any proposal to transform Employment Exchanges into Career Centres;

(e) if so, the details and salient features thereof along with the time by which these Career Centres are likely to be set up; and

(f) the other measures taken by the Government for generating more employment opportunities for the youth including skill development in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a) & (b): As per information received from States, State/UT-wise number of exchanges and number of job- seekers registered on live register of employment exchanges and number who got placement in the country during 2013 are at Annex.

(c) to (e): Employment exchanges are functioning under the administrative and financial control of the State/UTs government. To cope with the changing labour market situations, Ministry of Labour is implementing National Career Service Project for transforming the employment services in the country. A national portal is being designed which will bring job seekers, employers and training providers on a common platform. This would facilitate online matching of jobs and also provide information about opportu- nities for training and re-skilling. The portal would be supported be a Call Centre/help desk. 100 Model Career Centres are to be set up during 12th Five Year Plan.

(f): To address the unemployment issue being faced by youth, the Government runs various public emplo- yment generation schemes like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA), Swarna Jayanti Shahri Rozgar Yojana (SJSRY), National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM), Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY), and Prime Minister`s Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP). In addition, the government is promoting labour- intensive manufacturing and increasing employment opportunities by promoting tourism and agro-based industries. The 12th Five Year Plan projects 5 crore new work opportunities to be generated in the non-farm sector and skill certification to equivalent numbers. National Skill Development Agency has been set up to coordinate action among Central Ministries and around 75 lakh persons have been ski- lled in 2013-14 to enhance their employability. The Apprentices Act, 1961 has been amended to provide more opportunities for youth and to engage more number of apprentices by industry.